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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Faustman, et al.  
U.S. Serial No.: 09/031,629  
Filed: February 27, 1998  
Entitled: Methods for Diagnosing and  
Treating Autoimmune Disease

Examiner: P. Nolan  
Group Art Unit: 1644  
Conf. No.: 8880

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CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA)  
(37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d))

1. This is a request for a filing of a continued prosecution application under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d) of the above-identified prior nonprovisional application.

It is further requested that this continued prosecution application utilize the file jacket and contents of the prior application, including the specification, drawings and oath or declaration from the prior application, to constitute this new application, and that the application number of the above identified prior application be assigned for identification purposes. 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d)(2)(iv).

It is also requested that the above identified prior application be expressly abandoned as of the filing date accorded this continued prosecution application. 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d)(2)(v).

2. With respect to the above identified prior nonprovisional application, this continued prosecution application is being filed before "abandonment".

3. It is noted that:

- \* This application discloses and claims only subject matter disclosed in the prior application. 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d)(2)(ii).
- \* Filing of this continued prosecution application is to be construed to include a waiver of confidentiality by the applicant under 35 U.S.C. Section 122 to the extent that any member of the public, who is entitled under the provisions of Section 1.14 to access to, copies of, or information concerning either the prior application or any continuing application filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d), may be given similar access to, copies of, or similar information concerning the other application or applications in the file jacket. 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d)(6).
- \* Filing of this request is the specific reference required by 35 U.S.C. Section 120 to every application assigned the application number identified in this request and that no amendment in this application may delete this specific reference to any prior application. 37 C.F.R. Sections 1.53(d)(7) and 1.78(a)(2).

4. This continued prosecution application names as inventors, the same inventors named in the prior application on the date this continued prosecution application under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d)(2)(iii) is being filed.

**5. Preliminary Amendment**

A preliminary amendment accompanies this request.

**6. Fee Calculation**

Regular Application

CLAIMS AS FILED					
Claims	Number of Claims after entry of Preliminary Amendment	Basic Fee Allowance	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee \$740.00 37 CFR 1.16(a)
Total Claims (37 CFR 1.16(c))	7	20	0	\$18.00	\$0
Independent Claims (37 CFR 1.16(b))	1	3	0	\$80.00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claim(s), if any (37 CFR 1.16(d))	N			0	0
Basic Filing Fee				740.00	\$370.00
Filing Fee Calculation					\$370.00

**7. Small Entity Statement**

Applicant asserts small entity status

\$370.00

**8. Fee Payment**

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the \$370.00 fee required by this paper to Account No. 16-0085, Reference 17633/1030.

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**9. Authorization to Charge Additional Fees**

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency of the fees required by this paper to Account No. 16-0085, Reference 17633/1030.

**10. Instructions as to Overpayment:** Credit Account No. 16-0085, Reference 17633/1030.

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